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**Re: U.S. Patent Applications**

**For METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR PERFORMING A  
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**Attorney Dkt. No.: 17652-00008**

**For: WEB-BASED METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING  
EXPERT INFORMATION ON SELECTED MATTERS**

**Attorney Dkt. No.: 17652-00013**

Dear Catherine:

Enclosed is a copy of the Information Disclosure Statements recently filed with the USPTO in connection with the above referenced GE dockets.

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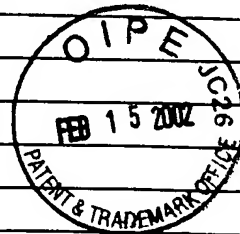


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